

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 1-5-115, January 27th of each year shall be known as "Firefighter Recognition Day" to honor the men and women who make extraordinary sacrifices while in the line of duty on behalf of the citizens of the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: Since the tragic events of September 11, 2001, firefighters and police officers are no longer taken for granted. We recognize that they are on the front lines every day performing a service that is critical to the well-being of our citizens, and we are aware of their efforts and are grateful for their service and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS: Volunteer firefighters make up the vast majority of firefighters in the State and deserve to be recognized for their willingness to faithfully provide courageous service, usually without monetary compensation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim January 27, 2017 as

FIREFIGHTER RECOGNITION DAY

across the State of Arkansas, and I urge all my fellow citizens to join me in recognizing these outstanding firefighters for their contributions in bringing more security to the lives of Arkansans and making our communities safer.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 10th day of January, in the year of our Lord 2017.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest: